

# Health and Social Care Act 2012

# **2012 CHAPTER 7**

#### PART 1

### THE HEALTH SERVICE IN ENGLAND

Arrangements for provision of health services

## 21 Functions of Special Health Authorities

- (1) Section 7 of the National Health Service Act 2006 (distribution of health service functions) is amended as follows.
- (2) For subsection (1) substitute—
  - "(1) The Secretary of State may direct a Special Health Authority to exercise any functions of the Secretary of State or any other person which relate to the health service in England and are specified in the direction.
  - (1A) Subsection (1) does not apply to any function of the Secretary of State of making an order or regulations.
  - (1B) Before exercising the power in subsection (1) in relation to a function of a person other than the Secretary of State, the Secretary of State must consult that person.
  - (1C) Regulations may provide that a Special Health Authority specified in the regulations is to have such additional functions in relation to the health service in England as may be so specified."
- (3) Omit subsections (2) and (3).
- (4) For the heading to that section, and for the cross-heading preceding it, substitute "Functions of Special Health Authorities".
- (5) In section 272 of that Act (orders, regulations, rules and directions), in subsection (6) after paragraph (zzc) insert—

Status: This is the original version (as it was originally enacted).

- "(zzd) regulations under section 7(1C),".
- (6) In section 273 of that Act (further provision about orders and directions), in subsection (4)(b)—
  - (a) before paragraph (i) insert—
    - "(zi) section 7 about a function of a person other than the Secretary of State," and
  - (b) in paragraph (i) after "a function" insert "of the Secretary of State".